

# Let's Talk...

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## CART REMINDER



**Contaminated  
Blue and Green  
Carts are a No-No!**

*Recyclables only in  
blue carts. Yard waste  
only in green carts.*

## Recycle Yule Trees with Scouts, Explorers

The holiday season is over, and the Christmas tree is turning brown. What to do with it?

Residents can leave their trees out for local Boy Scouts and Explorers to

pick up. The citywide pickups will be done Saturday and Sunday on three weekends: Jan. 1-2, Jan. 8-9 and Jan. 15-16.

*(See YULE TREES, Page 2)*



*Latex paint, stored at Delta Diablo District's drop-off center, will be recycled and reused*

## Taking Care of Hazardous Wastes

Every Saturday, between 9 a.m. and Noon, Brentwood residents pull in to the Delta Diablo Sanitation District yard off the old Pittsburg-Antioch Highway to recycle latex paint, car batteries and used motor oil.

Sometimes they bring old jugs of anti-freeze or old flashlight batteries and leave with a couple of gallons of latex paint, says district spokeswoman Amanda Wong.

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## EDITOR'S NOTE

### The Other Y2K Problem

The media buzz phrase this season is Y2K — the concern being, in the minds of some, that chaos will result when the year 2000 arrives and computers suddenly think it's 1900.

Most businesses and government agencies, the City of Brentwood included, have gone through considerable effort preparing themselves and their communities against possible disruptions.

But there is another issue dealing with Y2K, one that doesn't rely on computers or predictions of chaos. That issue is the state-mandated goal for all cities and counties to be recycling approximately 50 percent of their garbage by the end of 2000.

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For questions about garbage collection, recycling, and water and sewer service, call (925) 516-5400, ext. 1.

## Growth May Spur Route Changes

The city is considering changing several waste collection and street sweeping routes in order to keep up with the rapid growth in Brentwood.

Some parts of the City have grown faster than others, creating an imbalance in service needed along some routes, according to Jon Carlson, Brentwood's Solid Waste Superintendent. Some routes now are very long

and others quite short.

Redesigned routes will smooth the workload throughout the week, cutting overtime and making collections more efficient. The goal is to keep costs down.

A change in routes will mean a change in collection and street sweeping schedules for some residents. Before any changes are made, residents along the affected routes will be notified.